

ADDITIONAL TRAINING RESOURCES

TRAINING INFORMATION FOR PROVIDER SUCCESS (TIPS) CALENDAR



The Training Information for Provider Success (TIPS) Calendar permits for-profit, non-profit and governmental organizations to list child care provider training. The calendar lists all training opportunities in date order and provides a search feature that permits access to

specific training, locations, and dates. VDSS offers this site as an informational service and does not endorse any non-VDSS training. The TIPS Calendar may be viewed at: http://www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cc_providertrain/tips.cgi.

DIRECTOR'S TOOLBOX

The Director's Toolbox, a training aid for directors and staff members in child care/child development centers, is available in pdf format at:

<http://www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cc/publications.cgi>.

VIRGINIA CHILD CARE PROVIDER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

VDSS provides the Virginia Child Care Provider Scholarship Program that pays for college tuition and technology fees for child care providers. The program pays for either a maximum of eight courses or the current maximum lifetime award, whichever comes first, at Virginia's institutions of higher learning, and is funded through the Federal Child Care and Development Fund. To obtain more information call 1-866-636-1608 or visit the Web site at:

<http://www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cc/scholarship.cgi>.

EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION RESOURCE DOCUMENTS

It is vital that we provide the necessary foundation for Virginia's young children so they can be successful in life. Consequently, two documents have been developed by the Virginia Early Childhood Alignment Project Task Force to serve as guides to assist adults in their important roles with young children.

The Milestones of Child Development document articulates a research-based set of child indicators and strategies for adults designed to support the growth and development of young children from birth to kindergarten entry. Providers can use the Milestones to:

- plan quality learning experiences for children,
- select appropriate curriculum materials,
- provide information to parents to facilitate their child's development, and
- explain how their program benefits and facilitates children's development.

The Competencies for Early Childhood Professionals

document articulates standards for competent practice, identifying what early childhood professionals must know, be able to do, and care about to provide quality early care and education. Providers may use the Competencies to:

- identify staff training needs and develop or update training offered in-house to staff,
- develop an individual plan for professional development or a tool for tracking training,
- develop job descriptions, hiring practices, and salary structures, and
- support the professional credibility of staff receiving education and training that cover the competencies.

To download these valuable documents, visit the Web site at:

<http://www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cc/publications.cgi>.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, DIVISION OF INJURY AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION

A FREE basic child passenger safety course for child care providers and other staff members is available through the Virginia Department of Health's Division of Injury and Violence Prevention. The 90 minute course is designed to give child care providers the basic knowledge and information needed to properly restrain children during transport (e.g., type of seat needed based on child's age, height, and weight, proper placement in vehicle, etc.). In addition to requesting the training course, providers may also request to have a safety seat inspection for parents during pick-up of their children. To schedule a free class or safety seat inspection, or for more information, please contact Tobey Allen at tobey.allen@vdh.virginia.gov or call (804) 864-7747.

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY, DIVISION OF REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP

Did you know that you can achieve a journeyworker's card in the field of Child Care? Registered Apprenticeship is a training system combining on-the-job training with child care related instruction. Many child care providers in Virginia are exploring this option as a way to enhance the training of current staff and bringing new employees into the profession. Depending on each individual's circumstances, scholarship funding for some of the required coursework may be available through the Virginia Child Care Provider Scholarship Program. For more information about the Virginia Child Care Provider Scholarship Program, visit www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cc/scholarship.cgi. Additionally, many of the classes in this catalog are already approved for credit toward an apprenticeship completion certificate. For more information about Registered Apprenticeship, contact this agency by email at: apprenticeship@doli.virginia.gov, call (804) 786-2382, or visit the agency Web site at www.doli.virginia.gov.

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VIRGINIA CHILD CARE RESOURCE AND REFERRAL NETWORK (VACCRRN)



VACCRRN, a statewide network, promotes the positive development of all children. VACCRRN network members are local child care resource and referral (CCR&R) agencies that provide services to families, early childhood professionals, and communities. Each VACCRRN agency

provides information for consumers on how to select child care and maintains a regional database of providers that links families with child care options.

CCR&R agencies help child care providers maintain and improve quality of care by offering technical assistance and training in their local communities. Many member agencies have lending libraries for toys, equipment, and resources to enhance learning opportunities. Training sessions are scheduled by each member agency to meet the needs of their local providers and are offered via distance learning, as well as individual and group class sessions. In addition to providing their own training topics, VACCRRN member agencies provide training for providers using curricula such as ZERO TO THREE's Partnering with Parents: Preventing Child Abuse and Neglect*, and The Center on Social, Emotional Foundations for Early Learning's Promoting Social and Emotional Competence*, and Dollars & Sense: Planning for Profit in Your Child Care Business.

VACCRRN training topics include:

Partnering with Parents:

Preventing Child Abuse and Neglect

- Building Collaborative Relationships
- Early Brain Development
- Social-Emotional Development
- Understanding Temperament
- The Influence of Culture
- Understanding and Responding to Abuse
- Responses to Troubled Parents
- Challenging Behaviors

Promoting Social and Emotional Competence

- Promoting Children's Success
- Social Emotional Teaching Strategies
- Individualized Intensive Interventions
- Leadership Strategies

Dollars & Sense: Planning for Profit in Your Child Care Business

- The Provider Bill of Rights
- Contracts and Policies
- Rates, Fees, and Collection
- Effective Record Keeping
- Cash In, Cash Out

- *Marketing Strategies*
- *Responsibilities of an Assertive Provider*
- *A Professional Business Plan*

Scheduled training opportunities are listed on the VDSS TIPS Calendar at:

http://www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cc_providertrain/tips.cgi.

To find the VACCRRN agency serving your community, contact VACCRRN at 1-866-KIDS-TLC (1-866-543-7852), or visit the Web site at: www.vachildcare.org.

***Note:**

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are available for this training when completed through a VACCRRN member agency.

SQUARE ONE



Square One offers prevention and early intervention (PEI) professional development courses for child care providers/early childhood educators, home visitors, and parents. Training sessions will be held in 2-hour to 6-hour formats at various locations in Hampton Roads and in other parts of the state on a contract basis. An audio/web conference series of 1-hour training sessions will also be offered. Participants will receive an in-service training certificate upon completion of a course or audio/web conference. Visit the Square One Web site at www.SqOne.org to view the class calendar and follow registration/payment procedures. For more information or to sign up for a newsletter, contact Square One at info@sqone.org or call (757) 552-0293. REGISTER early!

Some of the training courses offered include:

Parent/Child Interaction
 Dynamics/Indicators of Child Abuse & Neglect
 Infant Care/Development/Health (0-12 mos.)
 Infant Care/Development/Health (13-36 mos.)
 Infant Care/Development/Health (37 mos. - 5 yrs.)
 Growing a Brain
 Advanced Brain Development
 Language Development/Emerging Literacy
 Working with Resistant Parents
 Mental Health
 Introduction to the "Early Childhood Environment Rating Scale" (ECERS)

Note:

"Online Training" coming in June 2010 on the Square One Web site!

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THE VIRGINIA INFANT & TODDLER SPECIALIST NETWORK

The Virginia Infant & Toddler Specialist Network strives to achieve excellence in early care by increasing the educational level and skills of those who care for infants and toddlers, whether in family homes or in centers. Through eight regional offices and 11 infant & toddler specialists, three levels of service are offered to those who care for children 0-36 months:

- on-site consultation, mentoring, and support for selected programs using quality improvement plans,
- training and technical assistance to groups of caregivers/teachers and directors, and
- resources and linkages to existing professional development opportunities.

Please visit the Network's Web site at www.va-itsnetwork.org to obtain contact information about the infant and toddler specialist in your area or to learn more about the *Celebrating Babies and Tots 2010* institutes to be held statewide in April and May of 2010.

The Virginia Infant & Toddler Specialist Network is a program of Child Development Resources, www.cdr.org, and is supported by the Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) Grant # 93.575, with funds made available to Virginia from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.



OTHER RESOURCES

EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT (EITC) PROGRAM

The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) is a tax credit for low-to-middle income individuals and families. An individual or family making as little as \$10 could qualify, but you must file an income tax return to get it – even if the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) doesn't require filing for your income level. An individual earning up to \$12,800 a year or a family earning up to \$41,646 a year may qualify. The EITC Program is not widely known; therefore, please share this information with staff, co-workers, and families in your programs. For more information on the EITC Program, visit <http://www.dss.virginia.gov/community/eitc.cgi>.

VIRGINIA SMALL BUSINESS FINANCING AUTHORITY - CHILD CARE FINANCING PROGRAM

If you are a **regulated** child care provider, you may be eligible to apply for a low-interest rate loan through the Virginia Small Business Financing Authority's Child Care Financing Program. Loan proceeds can be used to meet or maintain child care standards or to make quality enhancements to a child care program (e.g., playground equipment, infant care equipment, necessary renovations or repairs to comply with Department of Social Services health and safety standards, buses for transporting children, and education materials). Financing for this program is provided by VDSS through Child Care and Development Block Grant funds. For more information, including application materials, eligibility requirements, etc., visit the Virginia Department of Business Assistance Web site at: www.vdba.virginia.gov, select "Financing A Business" or call 1-866-248-8814.

**What is 1-2-3 READ!?**

The **1-2-3 READ!** storybook-based curriculum is a research-based early literacy curriculum developed by Child Development Resources (CDR) that has been proven to result in children, birth to age 3 years, achieving significant, measurable gains in their language and cognitive development. 1-2-3 READ! is designed to build emergent literacy in infants and toddlers through a carefully planned set of experiences that lay the foundation for reading and writing success. **The 1-2-3 READ! Virginia Early Literacy Training** is an interactive, practical *two-day* training designed for you if you work with infants and toddlers in a group setting.

Who Should Attend?

Family/Home or Center-based caregivers who work with infants and toddlers (birth to 36 months) in group settings

What Will You Learn?

- Strategies for expanding children's language through storytelling and one-on-one conversations
- How to select and use books and print materials with infants and toddlers
- How to infuse literacy activities within a child's daily routines
- How to use story props to engage infants and toddlers in early literacy experiences
- Strategies for involving families in literacy activities, and MUCH MORE!!!

**What Will You Receive?**

- A certificate of attendance that can be used toward continuing training clock hours required by VDSS
- A set of 1-2-3 READ! module booklets and a sample Take-Home Bag to help involve parents in literacy activities

What Will Your Program Receive?

- A set of 1-2-3 READ! curriculum modules and accompanying children's books (LIMIT 1 SET PER PROGRAM)
- *Story Stretchers for Infants and Toddlers: Experiences, Activities, and Games for Popular Children's Books*
- An opportunity to apply for follow-up on-site coaching and additional literacy materials

When And Where Is The Training?

DATE: February 20 and 27, 2010

PLACE: Alexandria, Harrisonburg and Norfolk

TIME: 8:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. (LUNCH ON YOUR OWN)

DATE: March 6 and 13, 2010

PLACE: Leesburg, Lynchburg and Richmond

TIME: 8:30 A.M. – 4:30 P.M. (LUNCH ON YOUR OWN)

How Much Does It Cost?

\$22.00 per person – Visa, MasterCard, check or money order payable to *Child Development Resources* accepted. Each registered participant must attend both days of the training. Once you register, your space is reserved and attendance is expected. **No refunds!**

Registration Must Be Received By February 12, 2010

Please complete one form per person (photocopy this form if needed)
FAX: (757) 566-8710 or MAIL: 1-2-3 READ!, P.O. Box 280, Norge, VA 23127-0280

REGISTRATION FORM**Please Print**

Name: _____ Title: _____

Name of Your Childcare Program: _____

Program type: ☐ Family Home ☐ Center-based Number of children birth–36 months in your program: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ Fax: (_____) _____ Email: _____

Please check the date and location where you wish to attend the training.

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For more information on **1-2-3 READ! Virginia** visit our Web site www.123read.cdr.org or contact Evon Thompson at (757) 566-2860 or evont@cdr.org

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